

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95-4685, by Representatives Smith, McMahan, Lambert, Hymes, Clements, Cairnes, Thompson, Schoesler, Hankins, Honeyford, D. Schmidt, Casada, Pelesky, Fuhrman, Radcliff, Sherstad, Delvin, Koster, Van Luven, Buck, Blanton, Reams, Carrell, Mulliken, Horn, Campbell, Robertson, Sehlin, Sheahan, Chandler, Lisk, L. Thomas, K. Schmidt, Talcott, Beeksma, Skinner, Mitchell, Ballasiotes, Huff, Goldsmith, Hickel, Johnson, Hargrove, Carlson, Pennington, McMorris, Sterk, Boldt, Silver and Elliot

WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Washington State Legislature to recognize excellence in all fields of endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Wilson Reagan, our fortieth President of these United States, has demonstrated the very highest excellence in selfless services to the citizens of the great state of Washington and these United States; and

WHEREAS, Former President Reagan was born on February 6, 1911, in Tampico, Illinois, to John and Nellie Reagan; and

WHEREAS, Former President Reagan received degrees in Economics and Sociology from Eureka College in 1932 and later moved to California where he pursued a career in motion pictures; and

WHEREAS, Former President Reagan valiantly and proudly served his country in the Armed Forces of the United States, to wit., having served during World War II in the Army Air Corp; and

WHEREAS, Former President Reagan and Nancy Davis were married in 1952 and raised their two children, Patricia Ann and Ronald Prescott, in addition to Michael, who has a well-received radio program, and Maureen, who has successfully served as Cochair of the Republican National Committee; and

WHEREAS, Former President Reagan began his distinguished and selfless public service in 1966 wherein he served as Governor of the state of California, being elected by nearly a million vote margin, and wherein the citizens of the state of California overwhelmingly again elected him to a second term in 1970; and

WHEREAS, Former President Reagan was first elected to the Presidency of the United States in 1980, and again in 1984, during which time he demonstrated, unfaltering, visionary, and courageous leadership of this nation and the free world; and

WHEREAS, Former President Reagan's accomplishments as President of these United States, which overcame untold domestic and international challenges, were manifestly historical for which the nation and the world not only benefit today but will endure for future generations; and

WHEREAS, It is with deep regret that Former President Reagan recently advised the nation and the world that he was diagnosed with the debilitating Alzheimer's disease, for which currently there is no known cure; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Wilson Reagan unabashedly and boldly confronts this personal challenge with the same trust in God and selfless service for others that exemplify his public service;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the state of Washington honor the excellence in service to the citizens of the great state of Washington and these United States as living inspiration to all those in the world who seek freedom as their way of life; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be immediately transmitted by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to Former President Reagan, his wife Nancy, and the Presidential Library in California.

I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of
Resolution 4685 adopted by the House of Representatives
April 25, 1995.

Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk